Notice of Availability

Draft Environmental Assessment Rehabilitation and Modification Big Tujunga Dam

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LADPW) has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), through the State of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding to improve Big Tujunga Dam and related facilities. LADPW has identified the need to seismically strengthen Big Tujunga Dam to remove the threat of failure during a significant seismic event.

FEMA has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the proposed project, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and FEMA's implementing regulations. The DEA, which evaluates the environmental impacts of the proposed project, is available for public review and comment. The DEA is available on-line at http://www.fema.gov/ehp/docs.shtm. A copy of the DEA may also be viewed at the following locations:

- Sunland Tujunga Library: 7771 Foothill Blvd., Tujunga CA 91042
- Lakeview Terrace Public Library: 12002 Osborne St., Lake View Terrace, CA 91342

To request a copy of the document or to provide comments regarding the DEA, please direct queries to the following address: Environmental Officer, FEMA Region IX, 1111 Broadway, Suite 1200, Oakland, California 94607, (510) 627-7027 (phone). Comments on the DEA must be submitted by April 10, 2005. Until that date, FEMA will take no further action regarding the proposed project.